

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-14 (cancelled)

Claim 15 (new): A device for voicing phonemes, comprising:

a keyboard, which keyboard comprises at least one support structure and a plurality of keys connected to the support structure, wherein each key of at least a number of keys is designated with at least one linguistic symbol,

an electronic processing unit connected to the keyboard for recording keystrokes, and

sound-producing means connected electronically to the processing unit, wherein the processing unit is provided with conversion means for converting at least one recorded keystroke into a signal for a phoneme corresponding to the linguistic symbol of this at least one keystroke, wherein the sound-producing means are adapted for voicing of the phoneme.

Claim 16 (new): The device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the at least one phonetic symbol is shown on each of at least a number of the keys of the keyboard.

Claim 17 (new): The device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the processing unit is connected electronically to visualizing means for visualizing the phonemes associated with the keystrokes.

Claim 18 (new): The device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the conversion means are adapted for conversion of a plurality of entered keystrokes into a single signal corresponding with these keystrokes.

Claim 19 (new): The device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the processing unit is connected electronically to at least one database in which is stored a plurality of words and phonemes corresponding with these words.

Claim 20 (new): The device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the processing unit is formed by a central processing unit (CPU).

Claim 21 (new): The device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the sound-producing means are formed by at least one loudspeaker.

Claim 22 (new): The device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the device is also provided with at least one information carrier, which information carrier is provided with the conversion means.

Claim 23 (new): A keyboard for use in a device as claimed in claim 15.

Claim 24 (new): A method for voicing phonemes, comprising the steps of:

- A) a user pressing at least one key,
- B) a processing unit recording the keystroke,
- C) converting the keystroke into a signal for a phoneme corresponding with the keystroke, and
- D) acoustically producing the phoneme.

Claim 25 (new): The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein a plurality of keys are pressed during pressing of at least one key by the user according to operating step A), whereafter the entered keystrokes are converted as according to operating step C) into a single signal for a phoneme corresponding with the keystrokes.

Claim 26 (new): The method as claimed in claim 25, wherein the phoneme forms a word.

Claim 27 (new): The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein the method is provided with an operating step E), comprised of comparing the entered keystroke with words included in a database before the phoneme is produced acoustically as according to operating step D) and after the keystroke is recorded as according to operating step B).

Claim 28 (new): The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein a delay of a determined time duration is present between recording of the keystroke by the processing unit as according to operating step B) and converting of the keystroke into a signal for a phoneme corresponding with the keystroke as according to operating step C).